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PM-1577 and PM-1578

Dear Charles:

I have your letter of April 8, 1991 and the disclosures in the respective captioned cases. I am assigning both of these cases to Jim Bergin subject to supervision by Jeff Ingerman and Gerry deBlasi.

Initially Jim will meet with Gerry to determine how these cases fit into the Beta program and what prior cases can provide the additional disclosure necessary for describing workable smoking devices. In this regard, neither case has an adequate disclosure nor is it clear how the devices would be constructed. This will require considerable input.

It seems as if the subject matter of PM-1577 would be useful with PM-1345 while PM-1578 would be useful with PM-1337, but this is by no means certain.

Sincerely,

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